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SUBJECT: BURDEN SHARING

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1. CANADA IS BASICALLY A SPECTATOR IN BURDEN SHARING EXERCISE AND WILL PLAY MINOR ROLE, IF ANY, IN DPC DISCUSSIONS OF NEW U. S. INITIATIVE. EXTAFF OFFICIALS TOLD EMBOFF THEY DID NOT BELIEVE GOC WOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF U. S. PROPOSALS AT DPC TO SEEK BENEFITS FOR CANADA. EQUALLY, HOWEVER, WHILE RECOGNIZING U. S. PROBLEM, GOC NOT LIKELY TAKE LEAD IN PRESSING EUROPEANS TO SEEK SOLUTION.

2. IT IS PROBABLE, HOWEVER, THAT GOC WILL TAKE STRONGER POSITION THAN PREVIOUS ON INFRASTRUCTURE IN DISCUSSIONS LATER THIS YEAR. OFFICIALS SAID GOC PAYING MORE THAN ITS SHARE AS COMPARED WITH SEVERAL ALLIES, PARTICULARLY ITALY, AND DERIVING FAR LESS THAN ITS SHARE OF SUPPLY CONTRACTS. ALTHOUGH GOC POSITION, LIKE THAT OF U. S., IS WELL KNOWN, IT HAS HITHERTO RECEIVED ONLY LIP SERVICE. GOC WOULD BE ENTIRELY PREPARED SUPPORT U. S. INITIATIVE TO REVIEW DIVISION OF INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS,
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WHICH OFFICIALS BELIEVE COULD NOT BUT RESULT IN BENEFITS
TO BOTH U. S. AND CANADA.
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